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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Art Unit: 1742

Application No.: 10/717,716

Filing Date: November 21, 2003

For: Low Alloy Steel

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Subsequent to the Preliminary Amendment filed November 21, 2003, and prior to issuance of the first official action, please amend the above-captioned application as follows: